ORDER REQUIRING THE CITY OF MILL VALLEY, ALTO SANITARY DISTRICT, KAY PARK SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT, ALMONTE SANITARY DISTRICT, AND HOMESTEAD VALLEY SANITARY DISTRICT TO CEASE AND DESIST FROM DISCHARGING WASTES CONTRARY TO REQUIREMENTS PRESCRIBED BY THE CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD, SAN FRANCISCO BAY REGION

ORDER NO. 71-34

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region, finds:

- A. On February 25, 1971 this regional board adopted Order No. 71-13 prescribing discharge requirements covering the discharge of City of Mill Valley from the City's sewage treatment plant and the total sewer service area.
- B. The discharge requirements provide, in part, as follows:
 - "2. Waste "A" shall not cause:
 - a. Floating, suspended, or deposited macroscopic particulate matter or foam, in waters of the State at any place;
 - c. Alteration of temperature, or apparent color beyond present natural background levels in waters of the State at any place;
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 - 3. Waste "A" as discharged or at some point in the treatment process shall meet the following quality limits at all times:
 - a. The waste shall meet quality requirements equivalent to those which would result from conformance with Section 8047 of Title 17, California Administrative Code.
 - b. Coliform Organisms 2.2 MPN/100 ml, moving median of seven consecutive daily samples, maximum
 - 4. Waste "A" as discharged to waters of the State shall meet these quality limits at all times:

 - b. In any representative 24-hour composite sample:
 - (1) Turbidity 10 units, maximum
 - (2) 5-day BOD 5 mg/1, median for any 30-day period 10 mg/1, maximum

c. In any representative set of samples:

Toxicity: Survival of test fishes in 96-hour bioassays of the waste as discharged

Any determination

70% minimum

Average of any three or more consecutive determinations made during any 21 or more days

90% minimum

- 5. The mean daily flow of Waste "A" for any month shall not exceed 1.8 mgd.
- 6. The bypassing of untreated sewage, Waste "B", is prohibited."
- C. Inspection by Board staff and data submitted by the dischargers indicate that the dischargers are violating the requirements for: effluent disinfection, 5-day BOD, toxicity, turbidity, and excessive flow; receiving water floating matter and discoloration; and bypassing.
- D. On June 22, 1971, after due notice to the dischargers and all other affected persons, a hearing panel of the Regional Board conducted a public hearing at which the dischargers appeared and evidence was received concerning the discharges.
- E. Upon the basis of the evidence received, the hearing panel recommended that the board issue a cease and desist order against the dischargers requiring that they comply with the aforesaid requirements in accordance with the time schedule below.
- F. The dischargers are violating the requirements listed in B above.
- G. Any increase in the discharges of waste will further unreasonably impair water quality.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT

- A. The City of Mill Valley, Alto Sanitary District, Kay Park Sewer Maintenance District, Almonte Sanitary District, and Homestead Valley Sanitary District, hereinafter referred to as the Agencies, cease and desist from discharging wastes contrary to requirements listed in B above;
- B. Compliance with the board's discharge requirements be completed according to the following time schedule:
 - 1. BYPASSING OF UNTREATED SEWAGE

The City of Mill Valley, Alto Sanitary District, Kay Park Sewer Maintenance District, Almonte Sanitary District and Homestead Valley Sanitary District forthwith cease and desist from discharging wastes contrary to requirements prohibiting bypassing of untreated sewage.

2. RECEIVING WATER FLOATING MATTER AND DISCOLORATION, EFFLUENT DISINFECTION, TURBIDITY, 5-DAY BOD, TOXICITY, AND EXCESSIVE FLOW

Completion of Conceptual Plan and Submission of Schedule of Compliance

Compliance

Completion DATE STATUS REPORT DUE

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July 1, 1972

July 15, 1972

- C. Additional discharges to the Agencies' sewer systems not discharging to the systems prior to issuance of this order are prohibited subject to the following conditions:
 - 1. The prohibition does not apply to buildings under construction or to permits issued prior to June 24, 1971.
 - 2. Additional connections to the sewer systems will be permitted as a result of interim corrective measures only when this board is satisfied that the loading on the receiving waters is not increased beyond the loading prior to the issuance of this order.
 - 3. An additional 70 connections to all the sewer systems would be permitted as a result of the interim corrective measures in operation subject to compliance with 2 above.
- D. The Agencies are required to provide to the board by August 1, 1971 and monthly thereafter a report, under penalty of perjury, on their progress toward compliance with requirements.
- E. If, in the opinion of the Executive Officer, the Agencies fail to comply with the provisions of this order, the Executive Officer is directed to request the Attorney General to take the appropriate enforcement action against the dischargers, including injunction and civil monetary remedies, if appropriate.

I, Fred H. Dierker, Executive Officer of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an order adopted by the Regional Board at a meeting held on June 24, 1971.

Executive Officer